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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 1846.

The Bangor Democrat undertakes to answer the inquiry as to what course the government will pursue respecting the Mexican war, by stating that Mexico must be brought to a sense of justice, but gives an opinion that she has not yet been sufficiently chastened nor satisfied enough to cause her to do us justice. "They are so faithless and treacherous," says the Democrat, "that if negotiations for peace should now be commenced, they would only consent to it for the purpose of mischief, because they supposed they could do greater injury by suspending than continuing actual hostilities, or from some other considerations than a determination to make atonement for their outrages."

Well, neighbor, as they say in the West, you have come out of the same hole you went in at. The whole question is involved in the amount of chastisement which shall be administered. If Mexico is not to be listened to when she offers to negotiate for peace, what does the government propose? How many cities shall be taken, what amount of blood, and treasure shall be laid up; what is to be the measure which shall satisfy the government of the true and hearty repentance of Mexico? You say that Mexico must be made to feel the power of our government still more? Very well, but how much more? That is the question which now most interests the people. If the Democrat can get a light upon this subject we should be glad to see it.

#### COURT COURIER.

District Court

The Court on Monday commenced the trials of actions on the criminal docket, Judge H. D. of the Middle District presiding.

Abram Woodward, landlord of the Benbow Exchange, was first tried on the charge of retailing without a license. The Jury, after being out for some hours, were unable to agree upon a verdict, and were discharged.

Blake for respondent.

E. & J. Moulton were next put on trial for a similar offence, the time specified in the indictment within which the offence was committed being from the 28th day of October last to the 6th of January. The counsel for the government being unable to prove any acts of selling spirituous liquors within that time, consented to a verdict of acquittal being rendered. Cutting for respondent.

Winton & Porter were yesterday tried for the same offence and were convicted. Cutting for respondent.

In the trial of E. & J. Moulton a somewhat novel question was raised by counsel, touching the admissibility of testimony. During the investigation of the case, the counsel for the government asked what sign the respondents had over their store door. To this question the respondents' counsel objected on the ground that parol testimony was not admissible to prove the contents of a written or printed instrument.

The counsel did not die, but probably relied upon the leading case of *Birdwell v. Pickwick* as authority, as reported in the Pickwick papers. Style of Maine vs. Joseph Pitman Jr. The defendant is charged with an assault with an axe on Daniel Lufkin. This is the Levant case some time since noticed in the newspapers. The Dr. and Lufkin are both quite children — A Sandorn for Dr.

We have received a long communication from a woman in one of the interior towns describing the ill nature of her next neighbor, husband, or his own husband—we are not certain which. The case seems a hard one. The man is so obstinately brutal that all the arts of a fond and doting wife cannot quiet him. His disposition being morose and sour, every thing goes wrong with him, and his own words of complaint but exude him to a higher state of filthiness. The woman's heart is nearly broken and in almost a state of despair, she too not being a saint, gives utterance to the desolation wroth in her heart, and thos the two, that should be lovly yoked together, helping and blessing each other, are in open defiance and conflict, in a war of hard words. It is a bad state of society—that is—and we advise all similarly situated to consider of the utter folly and absurdity and wickedness of thus living when it is so much easier and better to "live in joy and mirth."

The Philadelphia Ledger, a loco paper states that Hugh J. Anderson has been elected U. S. Senator by the Legislature of Maine. This is a mistake. The harmonious democracy have not yet succeeded in choosing a Senator, and in the way they are now moving it will be a mere accident if they ever succeed. The decrees of king capos have been bolted from by many of their leaders, and the lesson, woe to us, will not be lost upon the rank and file of the party.

Management in the loco party has heretofore put small men in high places, but a reform seems greatly needed and begins even to be foreshadowed.

We trust the day is far distant when Hugh J. Anderson, the mousing, managing politician and nothing else, shall be chosen U. S. Senator.

The Mercury states that on Friday last Mr. Charles D. Hinckley of Carmel while aasting in taking down a barn-stave, one broad side accidentally fell and caught him by the neck between a post and rail, thus compressing the neck within a space of about two inches.

He recovered his consciousness in a short time, but all sensation below the breast and shouders was entirely suspended. He hanged in the situation, till the morning of the 3d inst., when, in the full possession of his reason, he calmly breathed his last.

He was 20 years old and had left a wife to mourn his early departure.

Fecundity.

We are informed, says the Belfast Journal, that the lady of Mr. Charles Wiggin, of Knoe, last week gave birth to four children—two boys and two girls! The children, we regret to say, died in about an hour after their birth; the mother is doing well.

We received Boston papers yesterday morning from Jerome & Co's Express in advance of the mail, for which we express our thanks.

Texas beyond the Nueces.

West of the Nueces the people are all Spanish. The country is unbroken table, excepting the Rio Grande, and that contains a pretty dense population. The soil on the river is of great fertility, and though imperfectly cultivated, produces considerable corn, cotton, and sugar. On the river are several fine towns, some on one side, and some on the other. — Mission, 9,000 inhabitants; Reynosa, 1,500; Mier, 5,000; Gutiérrez, 13,000; Laredo, 15,000; Presidio, 5,000; San Fernando, 15,000, and when you get higher up towards Santa Fe, there is another populated country. These people are all Spanish, nearly all of them have gone over to the other side of the river, leaving their homes and much valuable property, notwithstanding every assurance from General Taylor that all their rights and property would be respected by our government.

#### Affairs at Washington.

Congress—Important Proceedings in Relation to Gen. Gaines.

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Gen. Gaines had for a long time been in command of the S. W. Division of the Army, and he could hardly realize the fact that he experienced an officer's consent to become the instrument of a flagrant violation of law. He also knew two much of the Constitution not to know that no officer had the power to call out troops. The President could not have the power to call out troops, though he might delegate the power to the General commanding the Army, when there was danger of invasion.

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Mr. Sevier defended Gen. Gaines' conduct—He was under the impression that Gen. Taylor's army was surrounded and in imminent danger. He raised our troops for the purpose of saving the army. His conduct was approved of at the time by the public in New Orleans.

Mr. Cass explained that Gen. Taylor had called for the necessary number of troops.

Mr. Sevier was aware of that, but Gen. Gaines was only justified by the circumstances in his course. He might have been lax in his duties as a good officer who had never received any service at all, and who were now in the service of the United States.

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